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Time Queens
Yeon-Joo Kim
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I SLEPT UNDER THE WATER.
IT WAS COLD, DEEP AND DARK.
SOMETIMES, IT WOULD FLASH BLUE
..OR WASH INTO GREEN.

WAS THAT A DREAM?
OR A MEMORY?
IT MAY BE HOPE.

HOPE?
HOPE IS WHAT YOU SEEK.
WHAT I SEEK...
IT IS WHAT YOU WANT.

IT IS A DREAM THAT MAY COME TRUE.
DREAMS CAN COME TRUE?
SOMETIMES.
YOU ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE MET ME.

I MIGHT LET ONE OF YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE...
TELL ME...
...WHAT DO YOU HOPE FOR?

GOOD...
SHALL WE GO?

Jewel Queen

WHAT'S HAPPEN-ING?
THAT LIGHT..

DO YOU KNOW HOW MUCH IT HURT?!
ONLY A BAD PERSON WOULD HURT A WOMAN SO RECKLESSLY.
DO YOU KNOW?!
ALTHOUGH THIS STAFF SEEMS TO HAVE HEALED THE WOUND--

IT COULD BE THE LIGHT.
!!

THERE'S SOMETHING I NEED TO ASK YOU...
DID YOU LIKE US?
WHAT?
WELL...

WE REALLY LIKE YOU.
NOW AND FOREVER.
UNTIL THE SUN GROWS COLD.

HOW OFTEN HAVE YOU HEARD SOMEONE SAY THAT THEY LIKE YOU?
UH...
SEJUR

HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU TOLD SOMEONE ELSE?
SEJURU!
DO YOU LIKE GRANDMA? DO YOU LIKE NANNY? HUH?
DO YOU EVER TELL?
I KNOW...
SEJURU NEEDS TO WORK ON HIS VOCABULARY!

JUST LIKE JUNE DOES.
HMPH!
MAYBE HIS DEMON HERITAGE CLOUDS HIS ABILITY TO EXPRESS EMOTION. EVEN IF HE IS AS CUTE AS A BUTTON!
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT SEJU-RU
OH?
SO, NANNY
I DON'T KNOW.
BUT WHY DOESN'T HE

DO YOU WANT TO ABANDON HIM?
NO! FOR WHO?
I MAY NOT UNDERSTAND IT.
IT MAY NOT BE VISIBLE
BUT THERE IS SOMETHING THERE

EVEN IF IT HAS NO NAME...
EVEN IF NO ONE NAMES IT...
I CAN FEEL IT.
I NOTICE
EACH LITTLE
ACTION.
I TRY TO HEAR
WHAT THEY ARE
TELLING ME.

THEY COME TO ME LIKE RIPPLES ON A LAKE.
I KNOW YOU CARE.
I KNOW YOU LIKE..
WE HAVE ALL BEEN LISTENING TO YOU.
SO OF COURSE I'M GOING TO TAKE YOU WITH ME...

Previously in

Sejuru continues to be tormented by thoughts of his seemingly unavoidable destiny – becoming the Prince of Darkness, the Demon King, sworn enemy of the Queen of Light. After being imprisoned by a mistrustful Queen, Sejuru begins to hear chilling voices in the darkness, seducing him toward the dark side. Meanwhile, June pleads with the Queen for her friend's release, but the only alternative, she is told, is death. Eventually, Sejuru does escape, but in his confused state of mind, unintentionally injures June. Now the Queen has arrived, intent on stopping the young boy...

...WHEN WE RETURN.
WHAT ARE YOU BABBLING ABOUT?!
I'M ALWAYS LEARNING.

WHY..
WE HAVE TO LEARN TO IDENTIFY PRECIOUS THINGS
WHY...
WHY IS SHE SO CALM?
LEARN TO HOLD ON TO IT INSIDE

...BUT WE WILL REFUSE IT
UNEXPECTED.
THAT VOICE!
WE ARE GRATEFUL FO... SUCH KINDNESS...
MISS NARCIEO!

Of
WHAT ARE YOU THINKING?!
IT WOULD NOT DO TO LOSE A CANDIDATE
THIS IS NO DEMON PLAY-GROUND

THAT ACCURSED VOICE!
TEDDY BEAR!

GET BACK, SEJURU!
!

BASTARD!
GOOD TO SEE YOU!
IF
OF

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!
SE--

NO!
I...
WHICH SIDE...

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SOB...
SNIFF... SNIFF...
...
THE SKY?

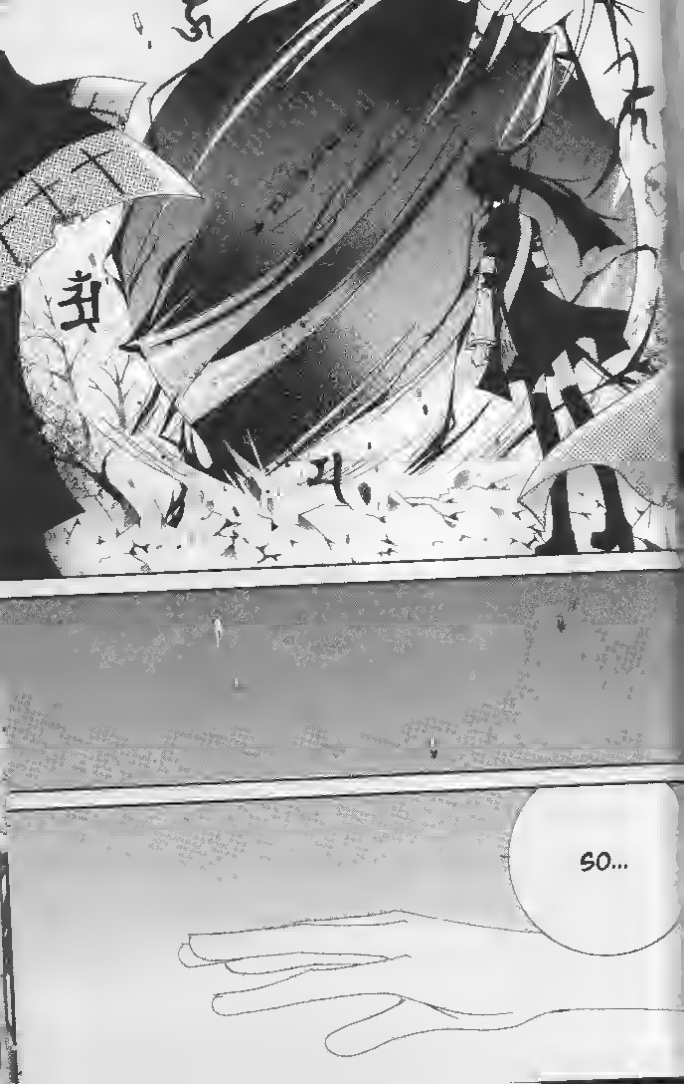
...RED SKY...
...DARK...
LIGHT...
...AND DARKNESS.
LIFE AND DEATH.
TWO WORLDS COLLIDING.
THIS TIME...
...WHO'S SIDE DO I TAKE?

THIS IS...
...WHERE THE ANGEL STATUE WAS!
SUCH EVIL ENERGY!
RETREAT, LEST YOU BE EATEN!
PREPARE FOR A COLLISION OF LIGHT AND DARK ENERGY!

YOUR MAJESTY!

SEJURU!
WAIT!
!
THAT STUPID KID!

I've Been Trying To Catch Up To You


SO...

WHAT DO YOU WANT?
GO.
I...

I DON'T UNDERSTAND YOU.
I REMEMBER OPENING MY EYES UNDERWATER LONG AGO
ALL I TOOK WAS ONE BLINK
IT'S WEIRD.

MANY OF THE OUTER WALLS WERE BROKEN.
THE WIND IS COLD.

NOW HERE I AM, ALL GROWN UP.
THAT TIME WENT SOMEWHERE
MAYBE I SPENT IT WITH YOU
MAYBE I SPENT IT IN THAT PLACE YOU SPOKE OF

THAT'S NOT ME.
YOU ALREADY KNOW...
THEN...
SO WHAT?
GOODBYE TO THE QUEEN.

AH!
THE DAY IS BREAKING.

CAME
SET HIM.
I...

I FIRST MET HIM AT THE PEAK OF SUMMER.
WE PARTED IN THE DUSK OF AUGUST.
FOR NINE YEARS, HE WAS MY GREATEST FRIEND...
MY BROTHER...
AS WELL AS MY WORLD

A GUIDING LIGHT.

THE MOST PRECIOUS THING IN MY WORLD.

AND I LOST IT...JUST LIKE THAT.

I BROKE THEM.
YOU'RE COLD?
A LITTLE

AREN'T YOU?
I AM ALWAYS WARM.

I AM THE LIGHT.
.....
IT HAS BEEN A WHILE.

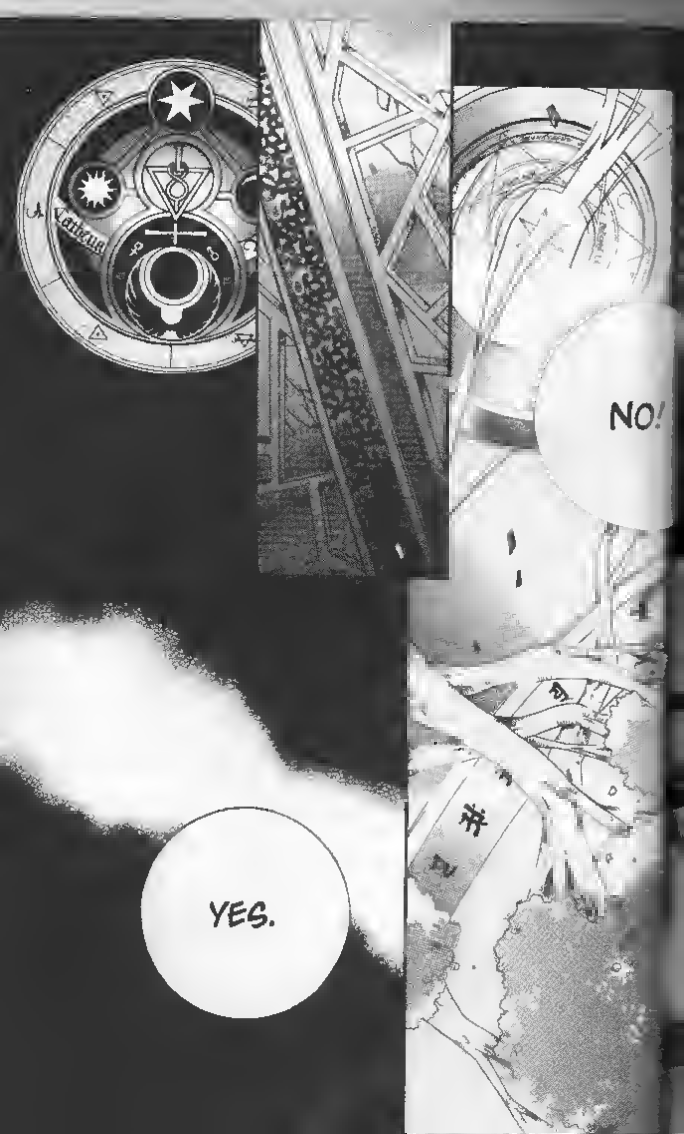
HAVE WE MET?
YES.
WE MET IN DREAMS.
I DON'T UNDERSTAND. I'VE NEVER SEEN YOU BEFORE.

FINALLY, WE CAN RECLAIM THE CHILD WE LOST TO THE LIGHT.
HAS IT REALLY BEEN NINE YEARS?
WHO...
WHO ARE YOU?
DON'T YOU KNOW?

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
IF I AM YOURS
WHAT HAPPENS NOW?
...AND YOU ARE MINE...

BECAUSE ONE DAY YOU MIGHT BE THE QUEEN. IT MAKES PEOPLE NERVOUS.
HMPH.
WHO SAYS I WANT TO BE THE QUEEN?
I'D RATHER BE IN SALES.
MY DREAM IS TO OWN MY OWN SHOP
HUH ?
BUT I HAVE NO MONEY I HAVE TO GET OUT THERE AND EARN IT AS A MERCENARY.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
SO!

...OU.
THE DARK-NESS THAT YOU LOST.
HUH?


NO!
YES.

WHAT
COURSE
DO WE
HAVE?
AND
TO THINK, WE
WERE GOING
TO LET YOU
SLEEP WITHOUT
PAIN.
SO
REGRET-
TABLE.

KUH-HURG!
.....
IT IS WARM.
AND IS

WE ARE AMUSED.
OUR KIND SHARES BLOOD, BREATH AND LAND.
BUT GOD LOVES ONE AND ABANDONS THE OTHER
YOU ABANDONED US! NOT SOME "GOD"!
YOU ARE CORRECT.
AND IN THE END...

Little Queen

THE DEMON KING COMMENTS ON LOVE
WE WILL USE THIS.
SO...
SHALL WE CUT YOU INTO PIECES?
HURG!

WHAT
ZE YOU
LKING--
YOUR BODY POSES PROBLEMS WHOLE
YES... WE SHALL CUT YOU INTO PIECES.
WE SHALL SEAL EACH POWER SEPA-RATELY.
DO NOT WORRY.
WE WILL HANDLE THE LAST PIECE WITH CARE.

YOU ARE NO QUEEN OF LIGHT!
WE NEED NO GUILT, TEARS NOR PUNISHMENT IN REGARDS TO DEMON BLOOD.

A TIMELESS LINK REMAINS BETWEEN US
YOU MUST HAVE KNOWN
SO?

WELL?
WE MORPH INTO ONE ENTITY OR SOMETHING?
UH?

HMM.
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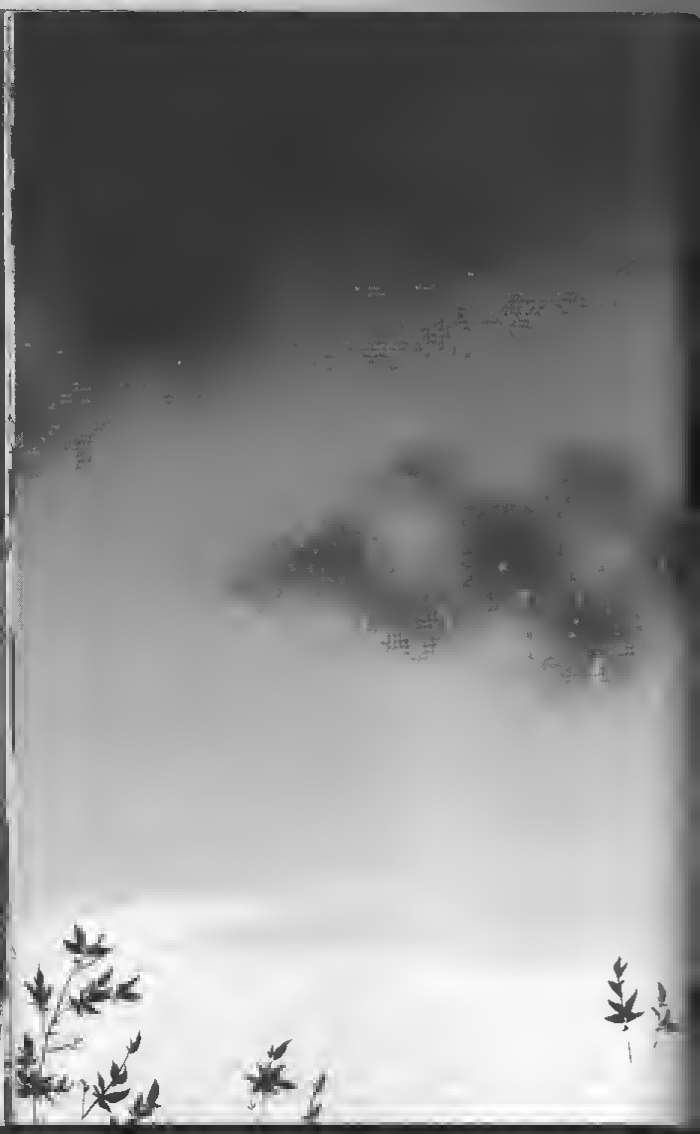
JUNE, HOW IS YOUR NANNY THESE DAYS? DOING BETTER?
YEAH, SHE'S OKAY NOW.
TELL HER I'LL VISIT SOON.
OKAY!

NANNY, I'M HOME!
NICE WEATHER.

I'LL LEAVE THEM IN THE KITCHEN FOR YOU
NANNY?



I'M STARVING!
ALREADY?
WHY DON'T YOU EAT LATER WHEN THE TEACHER COMES OVE??
I'M HUNGRY NOW!
WHY DID YOU CATCH SO MUCH? WHO'S GOING TO EAT ALL THIS FISH?
NO MATTER HOW LONG YOU WAIT, HE WON'T COME.
NA-NNY?
HUH?

DON'T WAIT FOR HIM.
JUST BRING ME SOME WATER.
OKAY.
HNH!
HNH!
MISTER YURI...
PLEASE, LET'S REST

ONE MOMENT...
지글
지글
MISTER YURI! WAKE UP!
IS IT SUNSTROKE?
TELL ME WHAT TO DO!
TAKE... ME.. TO THE SHADE.
SOMEONE SOMEONE HELP ME...
I NEARLY DROWNED.
DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
HE

IT'S BEEN A WHILE WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
I WAS, UH, PASSING THROUGH AND REMEMBERED I HAD SOMETHING FOR YOU.
MMHMM.
NOW THEN, SINCE I SAVED YOU, GO GET SOME WATER.
MORE FOR DINNER?

I AM A MAGISTRATE OF LIGHT, ON A PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND
WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO STAY HERE TONIGHT? I ALSO HAVE BUSINESS WITH MISS NARCIEO.
YES, OF COURSE!
INTERESTING.
HER HOLY ENERGY IS INCREDIBLE.
IS SHE A KNIGHT?
IF SO...
...WHY IS SHE IN THIS PLACE?
COULD IT BE
THAT
EARRI

IT'S QUITE REMARKABLE.
!
WELL...
...I WOULON'T KNOW...
...BUT...
...I'M ENVIOUS.

HEL-
LO.
YOU HAVE SOMETHING FOR ME?
HUH?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? YOU'RE NOT COMING IN?!

ANYWAY, HERE.
!
WHAT ARE THESE?
HISTORY, AND THE MAGIC, ESSENCE OF AND SO ON
THE ELDERS KNEW I WOULD PASS THIS WAY AND ASKED ME TO DROP THEM OFF
AH!
DO YOU KNOW HOW HARD IT WAS FOR ME TO BRING THEM HERE?!
NO ONE CAN RUIN MY VACATION!
IT'S LATE

SHOULD YOU GO TO BED?
MR. SCHAUER, YOU ARE A VERY INSINCERE PERSON. DO YOU THINK I'LL LOOK AT THESE JUST BECAUSE YOU BROUGHT THEM HERE?
NO, I SUPPOSE NOT.
BUT EVERY-ONE IS SO AN-XIOUS ABOUT YOU
WHY?!

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THIS IS THE END OF LITTLE QUEEN, DEAR READERS.
EH?
FROM NOW ON, WE'LL CALL IT LITTLE MERCENARY!
THE STORY OF A GIRL WHO BECOMES A MERCENARY TO MAKE MONEY! SHE OVERCOMES GREAT ADVERSITY AND FINALLY ATTAINS HER DESTINY AS THE GREATEST RETAILER WHO EVER LIVED!
INCOMPARABLE ECONOMIC FANTASY! LITTLE MERCENARY! STARTING SOON!

HA HA HA!
I'M SPEECHLESS.
WHY ARE YOU MOCKING MY DREAM?
SERIOUSLY.
YOU KNOW NOTHING ABOUT BEING A CANDIDATE FOR QUEEN, NOR THE HOLY LIGHT.
?
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR CONFIDENCE?
THE PROMISE THAT YOU WOULD BE THE NEXT QUEEN?

WHERE IS THE JUNE WHO ENTERED THE DEMON CASTLE?
DO YOU REMEMBER?
YOU DIDN'T EVEN CRY.
NOW YOU WANT TO TURN AWAY?
THAT'S WEAK-NESS, NOT STRENG

I AM STRONG.
I HAVE TO BE STRONG.
IF I'M NOT STRONG, I CAN'T DO IT.
AND

YOU SHOULON'T TRAMPLE SOMEONE'S DREAM.
IT'S BENEATH YOU
HMM.
I THINK SO, TOO.

Little Queen

WHAT'S HAPPENING?! WHERE ARE WE?!

W CAN
IS BE?
SEJURU!

!!
SE-JU-RU!

HOW DID THAT WOMAN...?
IS THAT THE NANNY?
JUNE!
I CAUGHT HIM!
WHAT ARE YOU TWO DOING?
COME HELP ME!
HEY!

WHY...
WHY DID I COME TO THIS PLACE?

SEJURU.
YOU'VE GROWN SO MUCH SINCE I LAST SAW YOU.
NO
THIS ISN'T IT.
GRANDMA, HURRY!

THIS ISN'T IT!
...!!...
JUNE.

STUPID.
I TOLD YOU TO GO BACK.
STUPI

EVERYTHING WAS INTERTWINED.
WRAPPED SO TIGHTLY.
MY MEMORY, MY LIFE, MY LOVE...
ALL THREE MAKING ME WHO I AM.

I HAD A NAME.
YOU CALLED OUT TO ME.
HEARING THAT NAME TRANSFORMED
ME INTO MYSELF.

AND THEN THE SPARKLING
BEADS FELL ONE BY ONE.
I WAS SO SURPRISED THAT I DION'T
THINK OF PICKING THEM UP.

I THINK I LAUGHED
TOO AWKWARDLY OR MAYBE
PERHAPS I SHOWED NO EMOTION
I'M NOT SURE

MEMORIES ARE BOUND TO GET DISTORTED
WE REMEMBER THE BEAUTIFUL THINGS

I CAN'T IMAGINE YOUR TEARS.

YOU WERE ALWAYS SMILING.
YOU WERE ALWAYS DAZZLING.

EXCUSE ME
BUT ARE YOU THAT BOY WHO WAS RAISED IN THE SANCTUARY AS THE "EYE OF GOD"?
!
WHAT?
?
AT THE TIME, I...

WE'RE GETTING THROWN OUT.
I KNOW IT!
UM...
WHY?
ALL OUR BAGGAGE IS IN THE HOUSE
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, IS THIS THAT LITTLE TWERP WHO SAID JUNE WOULD HAVE A SHORT LIFE IF SHE BECAME QUEEN?
YES! SO DON'T GIVE HIM FOOD!
TEACHER, I THINK I MUST RETURN TO THE KNIGHTHOOD.

I RAISED SEJURU...
AND JUNE IS ELIAN'S PRECIOUS DAUGHTER...
I MUST PROTEC- THEM BOT
"THIS CHILD WILL HAVE THE SHORTEST REIGN IN HISTORY."

HOW CAN YOU RUN AWAY WITH JUNE?
TO HIDE THIS CHILD WITH SUCH HOLY ENERGY FROM THE CALLING OF HER COUNTRY...
NO!
IT'S TREA-SON.

YOU KNOW THAT.
AND ACCORDING TO THAT KID, JUNE IS A REAL CANDIDATE.
AND IF THERE'S A CHANCE SHE COULD BE QUEEN...
HECATE.
WHY DID YOU BECOME A KNIGHT?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

WAS MY UTY.
DUTY HAS NO MEA- NING!
I LOST MY ONLY DAUGHTER TO DUTY...
AND MY SON-IN- LAW.

HOW CAN YOU ASK ME TO LOSE MY ONLY GRAND-DAUGHTER AS WELL?
NO!
OH, MY GOD! MINUEL!
WAKE UP!
PLEASE WAKE UP!

MINUEL!
WHEN DID YOU BECOME A HERO, YOU BASTARD?!
IT DOESN'T MATTER
I WILL BE GONE SOON...
IT'S ME.
IT'S OKAY...

IT'S BECAUSE OF ME.

IT WAS ME.

And Slowly...

HE SAID HE DOESN'T BELIEVE IN IT!
DON'T CRY.

IT'S EMBARRASSING -- YOU CRYING IN YOUR ROOM AFTER GETTING IN TROUBLE AT SCHOOL.
YOU SHOULD ALWAYS JUST TELL THEM YOU'LL TRY HARDER NEXT TIME.
HEAD RAISE! HIGH SHOULDERS BACK
NOW, GO WASH UP AND GET BACK TO CLASS
Still...
I HAVEN'T FOUND THE RAINBOW HILL...
...SO I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GUARD ANYTHING YET
MAYBE..

MAYBE I'M NOT THE ONE TWINKLING.

I'M GOING TO GET YOU SOMETHING TO EAT FROM THE VILLAGE
HOW LONG DO I NEED TO WAIT?
JUST A LITTLE WHILE.
IT WON'T BE LONG.
WE'LL MEET AGAIN.
TIME IS RELATIVE

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN YUE'S GONE?!
HE'S NOT IN HIS ROOM, OR THE SANCTUARY!
HOWEVER...
...BY OUR NEXT MEETING...
...A FEW DAYS MORE THAN I EXPECTED HAD PASSED.

THE MOMENT HE HEARD THE VOICE OF THE DEMON KING
DO NOT ALLOW THIS TO BECOME THE DEMON'S PLAYGROUND!
...OUR BODY FROZE.
EVEN THE QUEEN OF LIGHT WAS MERELY HUMAN IN THE END.
MISS NARCIS IS INCREDIBL STRONG. OU BODY WAS AFFECTED
AND M NARC WEN HOM SMILI
HERS
...HERS WA NOT

IT SEEMS THAT I'M THE ONE WHO MADE YOU WEAK.
WE ARE EMBARRASSED, BUT WILL NOT DENY IT.
HUMANS ARE EMPOWERED IN THEIR CHOICES BY NOT KNOWING THE FUTURE.
KNOWING THE ANSWERS IN ADVANCE TIES THEM DOWN AND WEAKENS THEM
WORDS BECOME RESTRICTIONS AND HUMANS BECOME SLAVES TO FATE.
THEY ARE UNABLE TO IMAGINE A DIFFERENT FATE.

AN UNYIELDING FUTURE..
...IS THE FUTURE OF MA
DO YOU UNDERSTAND YURI? FROM THIS POINT ON, MANY PEOPLE WILL BOTHER YOU.
ALREADY, IN THE OUTLYING DISTRICTS, NEWS OF HIS REBIRTH SPREADS.
PEOPLE ARE ANXIOUS NOW.
THE DEMON KING'S SEAL WILL SOON BE BROKEN. HE WILL NOT BE FORGIVING AFTER FOUR CENTURIES OF SLUMBER.
THEY WILL REQUIRE YOUR REASSURANCE

DO NOT GIVE IT.
YOU MUST LEAVE THE CASTLE .. I WILL TELL THE HEAD MAGISTRATE.
YURI...
I TRULY WANTED TO PASS ON TO YOU A PEACEFUL WORLD.

SIGH.
WHY CAN'T I SLEEP?
MAYBE I'LL TAKE A WALK

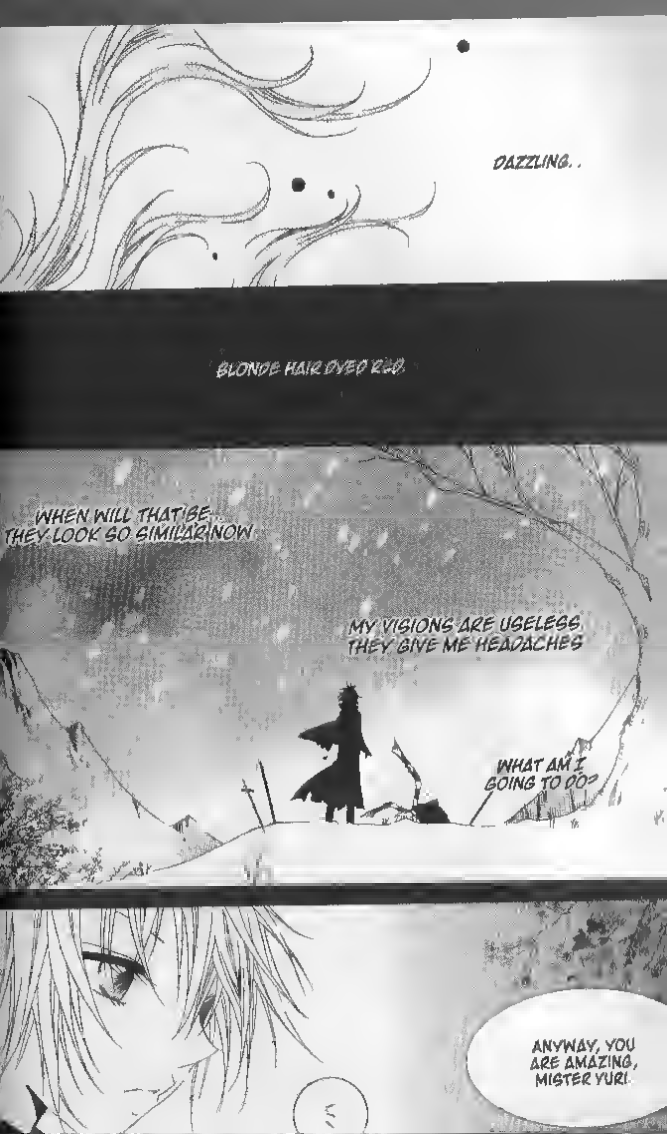
ARE YOU THE MAGISTRATE FROM THE HOLY CITY?
YEAH.
HMM.
YOU HAVE A GOOD AURA.
WHAT?

Little Queen

MANA!
GET DOWN, MANA!

ARE YOU OKAY?

FINE. YOU?
YOU, I'M OKAY TOO
THE RUMORS ARE TRUE THE EVIL HAND COMES AS IT PLEASES IN THE OUTLYING AREAS
I GUESS SO
THIS...
THIS IS MORE SERIOUS THAN I THOUGHT.
IF SHE WERE THE ONE, SHE WOULD HAVE VANQUISHED THE HAND ALREADY. SHE FITS IT SO WELL, TOO...
?
BE STRONG SEJUKU


DAZZLING..
BLONDE HAIR DYED RED
WHEN WILL THAT BE... THEY LOOK SO SIMILAR NOW
MY VISIONS ARE USELESS, THEY GIVE ME HEADACHES
WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?
ANYWAY, YOU ARE AMAZING, MISTER YURI

WHAT?
THE WAY YOU GOT RID OF THE EVIL HAND. YOU LOOKED JUST LIKE A WARRIOR!
I DON'T LIKE THE SMELL OF BLOOD.
ME NEITHER.
MANA.
ARE YOU GOING TO STOP BY THE BORDER TOWN, TOO?
I PLAN TO.
FOR THE LONGEST TIME.
I HAVE BEEN OVERWHELMED...
...WITH NOSTALGIA.

YOU HAVE AN INTERESTING EARRING
IT'S A RELIC FROM MY GRANDFATHER I WAS WORRIED IT LOOKS TACKY.
HMM.
I HEARD YOU LIVE ALONE

IT DOESN'T LOOK SO GOOD. YOU COMING AND GOING FROM A BACHELOR'S PLACE.
WHAT?
ARE YOU A KNIGHT? I CAN MAKE US SOME DINNER.
ANYWAY...
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
A HOLY KNIGHT IN A BACKWATER LIKE THIS?
WELL...

YOU'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH...
THINK ABOUT THIS CALMLY.
I MIGHT NOT HAVE TO GO AS FAR AS PACKING UP MY THINGS.

IT HAS BEEN SIX YEARS SINCE I LEFT THE SANCTUARY.
THEY'RE NOT LIKELY TO STILL BE LOOKING FOR ME NOW.
ANYWAY, HOLY KNIGHTS DON'T EVEN COME FROM THE SANCTUARY
SIX YEARS
JUST SIX YEARS

THAT'S NOT THE IMPORTANT THING.
THE IMPORTANT THING IS THAT I POSSESS HOLY ENERGY.
AND...
SHE ALREADY KNOWS THAT.
TAKE HIM THERE.

YES.
MAYANNE WANTS YOU TO SEE SOMETHING.
WHAT?
WHAT IS HE TALKING ABOUT? BRINGING ME OUT HERE LIKE THIS...

WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO SEE?
HE'S FAST.
HE IS FAST.
HE'S BETTER THAN THE MANIFESTATION HIMSELF!
HUH?

COULD THAT BE
A GHOST?
IT'S A DEMON
BUT DEMONS HAVE NEVER APPEARED HERE BEFORE!
WE BROUGHT IT HERE
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? COME HERE
...
DAMMIT!

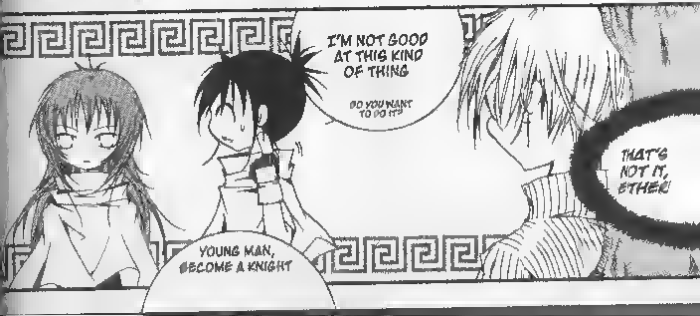
MAYANNE!

IT'S AS IF...
...A RED RAIN WAS FALLING.
...BLOOD FLYING IN ALL DIRECTIONS...

...FORMING AT THE END OF THE SWORD...
NEITHER OF THEM HAVE A SINGLE DROP OF BLOOD ON THEIR CLOTHES.
NOW, THEN...
IT'S PRETTY SICK.

THEY'RE BETTER THAN OUR TOP KNIGHTS! I CAN'T GO UP AGAINST THAT!
SO THEN
SHOULD WE TALK?

DO YOU KNOW THE WAY?
THAT'S NOT IT!


I'M NOT GOOD AT THIS KIND OF THING
DO YOU WANT TO DO IT?
THAT'S NOT IT, EITHER!
YOUNG MAN, BECOME A KNIGHT

WHY DO YOU TELL EVERYONE YOU SEE TO BECOME A KNIGHT?
YOU CAN TELL THAT SUN IS ALREADY A MAGISTERIS.
NO ONE WILL LISTEN TO YOU IF YOU CALL ON RANDOM PEOPLE.
EVEN ONE MORE IS GOOD IT'S A JOB WITH A HIGH FATALITY RATE!
I GUESS.
I'M SURE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING
YOU WERE THINKING ABOUT LEAVING THIS PLACE, RIGHT?
YOU KNOW, THOSE WITH HOLY ENERGY HAVE A DUTY TO SERVE.

WHY DO YOU HIDE?
CAN'T I JUST--
NO, YOU CAN'T.
THAT'S TREASON.

ARE YOU GOING TO ARREST ME?
YOU'RE PUTTING THE NAME OF THE KNIGHTHOOD ON THE LINE
IT'S NOT GOOD TO SWEAR WITHOUT MEANING IT
YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO CATCH ME.

WHY...
I HAVEN'T TOLD YOU EVERYTHING.
IT'S NOT OVER YET.
!

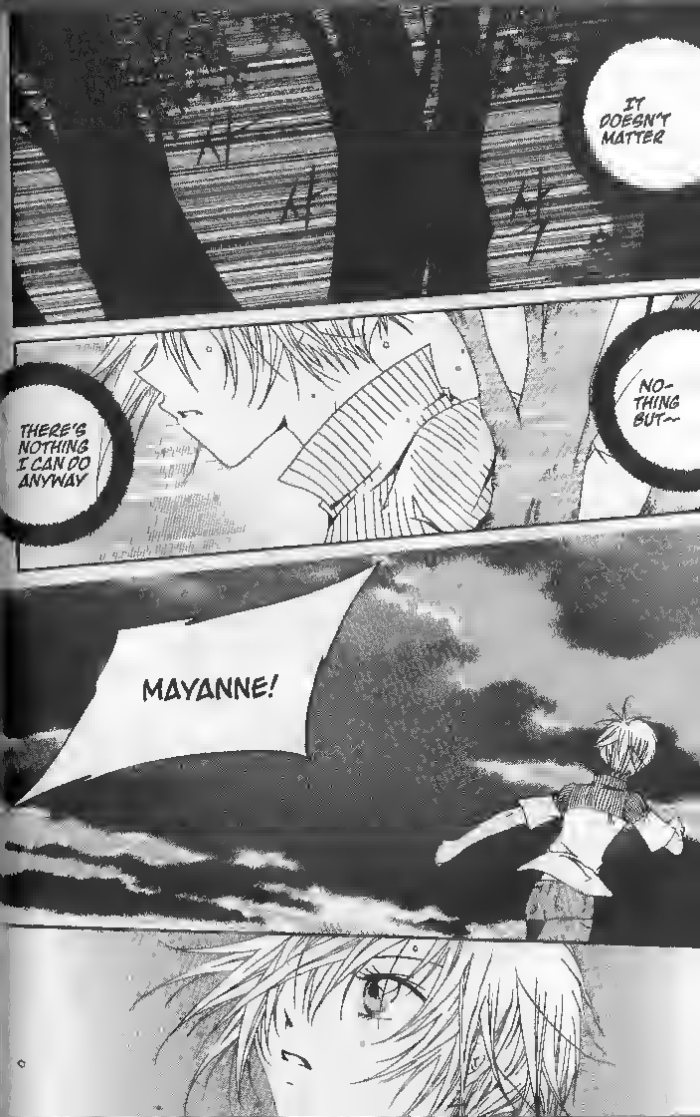
MAY-ANNE!
BE CAREFUL!

IT'S AN ADVANCED DEMON!

IT'S GETTING TO THE POINT...

..WHERE I CAN'T TRUST MY OWN JUDGMENT
I SENSE IMMENSE EVIL ENERGY.
BUT..
...BEHIND HUMAN EYES?

WHO IS THAT GUY?
HE'S A DEMON, BUT...
...NOT COMPLETELY?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NO-THING BUT--
THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO ANYWAY
MAYANNE!

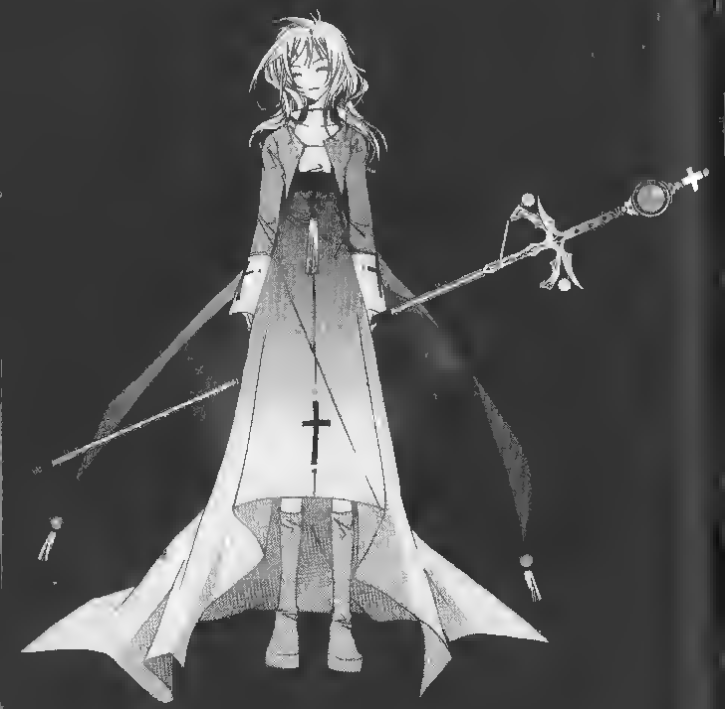
STRA-
NGE.
I DON'T REMEMBER CAPTURING SUCH A MONSTER...
MAYANNE!
MINOCH! FOCUS ON YOUR FIGHT!
THIS GNAT...
...MUST BE SWATTED!

...!!...
WHAT POWERFUL HOLY ENERGY!
WHAT?!
HUMANS ARE SACRED DEMONS ARE BLIGHTED
EVEN THOUGH WE ARE BOTH OF THE SAME FLESH!
VEINS DUNDING WITH THE SAME BLOOD!

HOW WAS SHE TO KNOW...
...THERE IS NO "HERE" FOR ME?
I'VE MADE A MESS AGAIN.
"LOOK AT THIS.
YURI,
YOU CAN BECOME HAPPY HERE THAT'S ALL YOU NEED TO DO

I'LL SEND YOU WHERE YOU WANT TO GO.
BUT...
CLOSE YOUR EYES AND COVER YOUR EARS.
RUN AND RUN, AND IF YOUR LEGS GET TIRED, COME TO ME
AND IF YOU HAVE NOWHERE TO GO, YOU CAN STAY HERE.

SOON YOU WILL DISAPPEAR, TOO.



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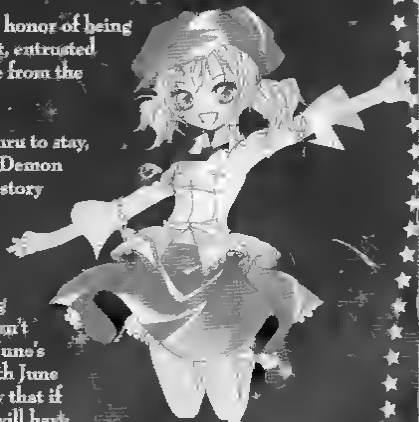
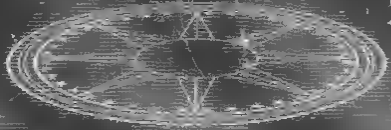
June and Lucia vie for the honor of being named the Queen of Light, entrusted with protecting the people from the King of Darkness...

June tries to convince Sejuru to stay, but instead he goes to the Demon Castle where he hears the story of the Demon King. He learns that the Queen of Light contained the Demon King's powers by cutting him up and sealing his energy. And if that wasn't enough, it's revealed that June's grandmother ran away with June because of Yuri's prophecy that if June becomes queen, she will have the shortest term in history!





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